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Phone		Date:	August 8, 2006	
Re:	USSN 10/711,422	CC:	Freedom Scientific	
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Dear S	Sir or Madam:			

We enclose the following:

- 1) Preliminary Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated August 8, 2006 (2 pages); and
- 2) Preliminary Amendment with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated August 8, 2006 (7 pages); and
- 3) Credit Card Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$375.00 for payment of additional claims.

Very respectfully,

Thomas E. Toner

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Application No.

: 10/711,422

Confirmation No.: 5421

Applicant:

: Murphy et al.

Filed:

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: Kurt Fernstrom

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For

: Braille Cell Assembly

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P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is an independent inventor.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

(37 C.F.R. 1.8(a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Preliminary Amendment is being transmitted by facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Central Fax at (571) 273-8300 on August 8, 2006.

Dated: August 8, 2006

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below: 4.

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Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee		
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Very respectfully,

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Dear Sir:

The above-identified patent application is amended a first time as follows.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

(37 C.F.R. § 1.115)

Amendment to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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